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Newsmen to See Televised Trial

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The murder trial of Sirhan Bishara Sirhan, now reset for Jan. 7, will be shown on closed-circuit television to newsmen unable to obtain seats in the courtroom.

Superior Court Judge Herbert V. Walker, the prosecution, defense lawyers and Sirhan himself approved the arrangement yesterday.

Because of security arrangements, a courtroom seating only about 100 is to be used for the trial. Seats for 30 to 40 newsmen were set aside, but more than 100 news media sought accreditation. The television showing will go only to an auxiliary newsroom and will not be public.

Sirhan, 24, a Jordanian charged with slaying Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, was to have gone on trial Monday. His new attorney, Grant B. Cooper, obtained a continuance yesterday, saying he needed time to familiarize himself with the case.